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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 103
94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Transportation, February 8, 2007, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 301.030, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 301.030, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 301.030 and 301.2998, to read as
3 follows:

301.030. 1. The director shall provide for the retention of license plates
2 by the owners of motor vehicles, other than commercial motor vehicles, and shall
3 establish a system of registration on a monthly series basis to distribute the work
4 of registering motor vehicles as uniformly as practicable throughout the twelve
5 months of the calendar year. For the purpose of assigning license plate numbers,
6 each type of motor vehicle shall be considered a separate class. Commencing July
7 1, 1949, motor vehicles, other than commercial motor vehicles, shall be registered
8 for a period of twelve consecutive calendar months. There are established twelve
9 registration periods, each of which shall start on the first day of each calendar
10 month of the year and shall end on the last date of the twelfth month from the
11 date of beginning.

12 2. Motor vehicles, other than commercial motor vehicles, operated for the
13 first time upon the public highways of this state, to and including the fifteenth
14 day of any given month, shall be subject to registration and payment of a fee for
15 the twelve-month period commencing the first day of the month of such operation;
16 motor vehicles, other than commercial motor vehicles, operated for the first time
17 on the public highways of this state after the fifteenth day of any given month

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

18 shall be subject to registration and payment of a fee for the twelve-month period
19 commencing the first day of the next following calendar month.

20 3. All commercial motor vehicles and trailers, except those licensed under
21 section 301.035 and those operated under agreements as provided for in sections
22 301.271 to 301.279, shall be registered either on a calendar year basis or on a
23 prorated basis as provided in this section. The fees for commercial motor
24 vehicles, trailers, semitrailers, and driveaway vehicles, other than those to be
25 operated under agreements as provided for in sections 301.271 to 301.279 shall
26 be payable not later than the last day of February of each year, except when such
27 vehicle is licensed between April first and July first the fee shall be three-fourths
28 the annual fee, when licensed between July first and October first the fee shall
29 be one-half the annual fee and when licensed on or after October first the fee
30 shall be one-fourth the annual fee. Such license plates shall be made with fully
31 reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly
32 visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section
33 301.130. Local commercial motor vehicle license plates [shall] **may** also be so
34 stamped, marked or designed as to indicate they are to be used only on local
35 commercial motor vehicles and, in addition to such stamp, mark or design, the
36 letter "F" shall also be displayed on local commercial motor vehicle license plates
37 issued to motor vehicles used for farm or farming transportation operations as
38 defined in section 301.010 in the manner prescribed by the advisory committee
39 established in section 301.129. In addition, all commercial motor vehicle license
40 plates [shall] **may** be so stamped or marked with a letter, figure or other emblem
41 as to indicate the gross weight for which issued.

42 4. The director shall, upon application, issue registration and license
43 plates for nine thousand pounds gross weight for property-carrying commercial
44 motor vehicles referred to herein, upon payment of the fees prescribed for twelve
45 thousand pounds gross weight as provided in section 301.057.

**301.2998. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter,
2 which establishes the issuance of a specialty plate, if no applications
3 for such plate have been received within five years from the effective
4 date of the section authorizing the plate, then the department of
5 revenue no longer will be required to accept applications and issue
6 such plate.**

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